destruction of their crops in that State;

(c) whether the Central Government have issued instructions to the Banks to waive the interest on the loans given to cotton growers of that State and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether Government propose to provide special relief to the affected cotton growers on the lines of drought, cyclones; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

**Defective fishing boats manufactured by Indian Yards**

300. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representation/complaints regarding defective manufacturing of fishing boats in Indian Yards which are being financed by Government;

(b) whether the small entrepreneurs are being forced to buy these defective boats; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) A Representation was received regarding fitment of particular type of engine in the fishing vessels under Construction in Indian Ship-Yard. This was examined and a reply was sent indicating that Indian Ship-Yard can import 30 per cent of the components including the main engine for fitment in indigenously constructed deep sea fishing Vessels. Government do not force any entrepreneurs to use any particular type of engine, leaving the choice entirely to the owners.

(c) Does not arise.

**Upliftment of tribals in Orissa**

301. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schemes launched in Orissa at the beginning of the Seventh Plan for the upliftment of tribals in the State;

(b) the details of employment generated and infrastructure created in the tribal belts;

(c) the extent to which the targets so fixed, have been achieved; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to achieve the targets?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) The schemes taken up under the Tribal Sub Plan (TSN), which is under implementation in Orissa throughout the period of the VII Five Year Plan, fall broadly into the following four categories:

(i) Family oriented income generating schemes.

(ii) Infrastructure development programmes.

(iii) Human resources development programmes; and

(iv) Anti-exploitative measures.

(b) Employment generated in the State of Orissa as a whole and for Scheduled Tribes (STs) under the National Rural Employment Programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) from 1985-86 to 1987-88 has been as follows:

| Programme | Target State | Achievement State | (in lakh Mandays) Achievement for STs |
|---|---|---|---|
| NREP . . . . | 481.75 | 554.59 | 203.64 |
| RLEGP . . . . | 427.37 | 485.64 | 165.82 |

Various infrastructure development programmes like construction of link roads; small irrigation projects, Lift Irrigation Projects, provision of drinking water facilities, improvements to/construction of buildings for educational institutions, rural electrification etc. are being implemented in the tribal areas.

(c) A target of assisting 5,15,100 S.T. beneficiaries under various income generating schemes has been fixed for Orissa for the VII Plan period. 5,00,868 ST beneficiaries have already been assisted during the VII Plan period upto Sept., 1988 and the taget is likely to be achieved. No targets have been fixed under infrastructure development programmes. Targets for generation of employment have been fixed annually under NREP and RLEGP for the State as a whole and no targets have been fixed separately for STs|tribal areas.

(d) Does not arise.

**Working group of tribal development**

302. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the working group constituted in Seventh Five Year Plan for tribal development has recommended that 50 per cent matching grant be provided by Government for development of infrastructure as well as running cost to the States for hostels and ashrams; and

(b) if so, whether Government have accepted the recommendations and propose to provide financial assistance to States including Orissa?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUMATI ORAON): (a) and (b) The Working Group on Development of Scheduled Tribes during Seventh Five Year Plan had recommended that the State plan should earmark adequate funds for expansion of hostel facilities at the primary, middle and high school stages of education in the tribal areas, both for boys and girls and matching contribution should be made available to the States from Centrally Sponsored Schemes operated by the Ministry. Keeping in view the said recommendation, the Centrally Sponsored Scheme for construction and expansion of Tribal Girls Hostels under which financial assistance is given to the States on matching basis, is being continued. Provision has also been made in the budget for the year 1988-89 for giving grants-in-aid to State Governments on matching basis for construction of hostels for tribal boys. Financial assistance is being given to the States including Orissa under the said scheme as and when proposals are received.